

GREATER MAPLE VALLEY UNINCORPORATED AREA COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING – February 3, 2025

The monthly regular meeting of the GMVUAC held virtually via Zoom due to the snow/ice storm was called to order by Hiester at approximately 7:02 PM on Monday, February 3, 2025.

Roll Call: Present: Hiester, Rimbos, Buchanan, Harvey, Neuner, and Hansen.

Absent, But with Designated Proxy: N/A

Absent: Haynes, Iverson.

Resignation: N/A

Logistics Note: Due to the snow/ice storm, the meeting was held virtually over Zoom.

Agenda Items:

Addition agenda item: N/A

Motion: Rimbos- Move to approve agenda. Second: Buchanan, Approved – All.

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1. Public Comments: N/A

2. Critical Area Ordinance Update — Terry Lavender (7:08):

- Best Available Science Review and Updates to Critical Area Protections.
- The County Council has to approve CAO Updates no later than December 2025.
- It is 223 pages.
- Basin plans are being eliminated in favor of CAO.
- Requires regulatory and non-regulatory things that can be done to protect Critical Areas.
- CAO and GMA can conflict- eliminate high risk.
- “Best Available Science” is defined by the Dept. of Ecology.
- 5,412 new housing units by 2044 in the Unincorporated Urban Areas.
- No growth targets in the rural area in this document, but growth is about 1%.
- There are some work arounds at the parcel or permit level.
- Planting in the buffer is encouraged.
- Buffers in all areas have increased.
- 40% of all permits involve a critical area.
- Channel Migration Zones (CMZ) are new.

3. Cumberland Mines – Valerie Cunningham:

- Segale Properties LLC wants to put in a 990-acre gravel mine.
- Up to 298-668 trucks per day.
- Our roads and bridges are not up to dealing with this extra traffic/wear.
- Segale Properties bought the land in 2016.

- Would require 25,000 gallons of fresh water per day with no water rights on the property.
4. GMV-CR Sub Area Plan – Kaitlin Harris (DLS):
 - Objectives:
 - Topics from last meeting (January 6, 2025).
 - Refresher from November 4, 2024 meeting.
 - Update on the Sub-Area Plan process.
 - What we heard.
 - Looking ahead 2025.
 - Planning Schedule:
 - Currently in Preliminary Plan.
 - Preplanning and Community Scoping in done.
 - In July 2025 start the Draft Plan.
 - In June 2026 transmit to Council.
 - Community Conversations:
 - February 19, 2025 – Equity/Vision.
 - March 5, 2025 – Environment/Park.
 - March 19, 2025 – Economic/Housing.
 - April 2, 2025 – Land Use/Zoning.
 - April 16, 2025 – Transportation.
 - These meetings are for those that live/work/play in the Sub-Area Plan area.

Council Business (9:06)

1. Sub-Area plan:
 - Discussed the Sub-Area Planning Committee Meetings.
2. Treasure Report:
 - Scheduled a Treasure Report/Financial Update for next months meeting.
3. Reserve Silica:
 - Do we want to invite Jeff Wright from Reserve Silica to a meeting to discuss Reserve Silica?
 - Rimbo's will reach out to Jeff Wright.
 - We are still waiting on answers from Permitting.

Updates to Committee Reports:

Executive: N/A

PR: N/A

Joint Team: N/A

Growth Management: N/A

Environment: N/A

Transportation: N/A

Hiester adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:38 PM.

Minutes by Hansen.